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IN THE CLAIMS:

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Cancel all of the claims in the application and substitute the following new claims:

A cosmetic or pharmaceutical preparation in the form of an oil-in-water (O/W) emulsion, said cosmetic or pharmaceutical preparation comprising:

- at least one member selected from the group consisting of glycerol a) and tocopheryl acetate;
- b) glycerol stearate citrate; and
- c) cetylstearyl alcohol.
- --16. The cosmetic or pharmaceutical preparation according to claim 15, comprising:
 - a) glycerøl;
 - b) glycerol stearate citrate; and
 - c) cetylstearyl alcohol .--

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-17. The cosmetic or pharmaceutical preparation according to glaim 15, comprising:

> tocopheryl acetate; a)

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- glycerol stearate citrate; and b)
- cetylstearyl alcohol .-c)
- --18. The cosmetic or pharmaceutical preparation according to claim 15, wherein the ratio of glycerol stearate citrate to cetylstearyl alcohol is about 1:1.--
- --19. A method of reducing the stickiness of an oil-in-water (O/W) emulsion comprising at least one member selected from the group consisting of glycerol and tocopheryl acetate, said method comprising incorporating in said O/W emulsion to reduce said stickiness a combination of:
 - a) glycerol stearate citrate; and
 - cetylstearyl alcohol .--
- --20. The method according to claim 19, wherein the O/W emulsion comprises glycerol.--

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